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Livestreamed commencement honors 15 graduates

In this time of pandemic and social upheaval, **Ben C. Ollenburger**, PhD, encouraged candidates for graduation at AMBS to focus on one thing: love.

In a livestreamed address during the seminary's Aug. 22 commencement and commissioning service — delayed from early May and held online due to the COVID-19 pandemic — Ollenburger explored concepts of God's love, drawing on 1 John 4:12-16.

"In this time of isolation, we have learned that our very human love of one another is as vital as our very breath," said Ollenburger, Retired Professor of Biblical Theology at AMBS and an author and storyteller. "We are not created to be alone."

He observed that the first mention of love in the Bible appears in Genesis 22, when God instructs Abraham to prepare to sacrifice his son, Isaac, and refers to Abraham's love for Isaac — the love of a parent. This sacrificial moment would not be the last time love and loss would be joined, Ollenburger said, pointing to the New Testament and the

passion of Jesus: "God's love for the world displayed in the supreme gift, and Jesus's love for us displayed in the supreme self-giving."



Followers of Jesus make God's love known through their willingness to lay down their lives for their brothers and sisters as Jesus did, Ollenburger noted. In these months that "have reminded us that fear-fueled hate is love's persistent, murderous rival," he encouraged the graduating class to love God and to love one another "as Christ has loved us ... as God so loved the world."

Most of the 15 graduates participated in the online service from their homes,

dressed in their commencement regalia, which they had received by mail along with their diplomas and a small brass replica of the bell that rings on the seminary campus. Several campus residents watched together from the seminary lounge while the commencement speakers were being filmed nearby in the chapel.

The service, which was viewed by more than 180 people, also featured customized blessings for each graduate given by members of the AMBS community as well as composite recordings of hymns sung by ensembles of students and seminary employees. Following *(continued on p. 2)*

Top (l. to. r.): Graduates Patrick Obonde, Sophia Austin, Jacob Curtis, Febri Kristiani, Mara Weaver Boshart and Eric Frey Martin at the on-campus reception following the commencement and commissioning service. **Left:** Vice President and Academic Dean Beverly Lapp, EdD, presents the 2020 candidates for graduation during the livestreamed service.

Credit: Peter Ringenberg

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the conferral of degrees by President **David Boshart**, PhD, the graduates — visible onscreen — celebrated with joyful bell ringing, a commencement tradition.

Malinda Elizabeth Berry, PhD, Associate Professor of Theology and Ethics, gave a theopoetic charge to the graduates, urging them to cultivate connections by loving God, themselves and their neighbors; immersing themselves in the “joy of ecological intimacy”; being curious about the feelings and needs of others; and understanding their everyday life as being “dependent on Sonlight/sunlight.”

Safwat Marzouk, PhD, Associate Professor of Old Testament/Hebrew Bible, offered the prayer of blessing, asking God to give the graduates compassion, courage, resilience and creativity as they lead the church in these times of disorientation, isolation, anxiety and loss; confront forces of racism and xenophobia; and “envision a beloved and a loving community that welcomes all.”

A socially distanced in-person reception was held outdoors on campus that evening for the seminary community, the graduates and their guests. • — *Annette Brill Bergstresser*



(l. to. r.): Master of Divinity candidates **Febri Kristiani**, **Sophia Austin** and **Mara Weaver Boshart** participate in the livestreamed commencement and commissioning service from the seminary lounge. Credit: Peter Ringenberg

Profile of the graduates

Of the 15 graduates, six completed part or all of their seminary studies from a distance; three of them began with the second **Master of Divinity Connect** cohort in 2014. Seven completed most or all of their studies while living on campus (a higher proportion than usual), and two while commuting locally or regionally.

As undergraduates, four of this year’s graduates studied theology, religion, philosophy, or international studies ministry; three studied science, chemistry or engineering; two studied forestry or horticulture; and one each studied education, English, history, law, peace and conflict transformation, sociology and telecommunications. Seven graduates earned their undergraduate degrees from Mennonite or Missionary Church colleges/universities, including Bethel College, Bethel University, Bluffton University, Canadian Mennonite University and Goshen College.

Several graduates have family members who are also AMBS graduates: **Sophia Austin’s** husband, **Andrew Austin** (MDiv 2017); **Jacob Curtis’s** wife, **Michelle Curtis** (MDiv 2018); **Rianna Isaak-Krauß’s** husband, **Benjamin Isaak-Krauß** (MDiv 2019); **Eric Frey Martin’s** brother, **Peter Martin** (MDiv 2017); **Dianne Schmidt’s** husband, **Dennis Schmidt** (MDiv 1994), and daughter, **Julia Schmidt** (MDiv 2018); and **Mara Weaver Boshart’s** husband, **Corben Weaver Boshart** (MATS 2017), and mother-in-law, **Shana Peachey Boshart** (Certificate 2017).

The graduating class’s gift to AMBS is a portrait of the Christ of Revelation 1:12-18 created by 2020 graduate **Jacob Curtis**. • — *Janeen Bertsche Johnson*

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BY THE NUMBERS

Graduates by degree

- 10 Master of Divinity
- 2 MA: Theology and Peace Studies
- 1 MA in Christian Formation
- 2 Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies

Graduates by ministry

- 6 serving in ministry roles or seeking a pastoral or chaplaincy assignment
- 3 discerning future options for ministry, mission or service work
- 4 pursuing further graduate studies
- 2 serving with nonprofit or mission organizations

Graduates by demographic

- 9 women
- 6 men
- 27–65 age range in years
- 5 countries represented — Canada, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Kenya, U.S. — on three continents
- 13 members of Mennonite or Mennonite Brethren congregations
- 8 members of Mennonite Church USA
- 1 member of a Reformed church
- 1 member of a nondenominational church

Meet our new graduates!

The 2020 AMBS commencement and commissioning service — originally scheduled for early May but postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic — took place online on Aug. 22. Each graduate received one of the following degrees and certificates:

MDiv	Master of Divinity
MACF	Master of Arts in Christian Formation
MATPS	Master of Arts: Theology and Peace Studies
Certificate	Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies

* Candidates who have six or fewer credits left to complete toward their degree

➤ Candidates who completed a portion of their degree or certificate at a distance



➤ Melissa Ruth Atchison

(Manhattan, Kansas). MDiv: *Christian Faith Formation*. Melissa served as Sabbatical Coverage Pastor

with Peace Mennonite Church in Lawrence, Kansas, for the month of May. She is continuing to work as a spiritual director and exploring other pastoral ministry possibilities. Melissa's home congregation is Manhattan Mennonite Church. She and her spouse, Bob Atchison, have four children.



Sophia Louise Austin

(Missouri). MDiv: *Theological Studies: Biblical Studies*. Sophia and Andrew Austin (MDiv 2017), her spouse, plan

to move back to Missouri to be near their families and to explore ministry opportunities after they are settled. While living in Elkhart, they have been part of Olive Mennonite Church in Elkhart.



➤ J. Joel Beachy

(Kalona, Iowa). MDiv: *Pastoral Ministry*. Joel will continue to serve full time as Pastor of East Union Mennonite Church

in Kalona. He and his spouse, Christine Maust Beachy, have two sons.



➤ Kevin Chupp

(Osceola, Indiana; Aberdeen, Idaho). MDiv: *Theological Studies: History, Theology and Ethics*. Kevin will continue as Pastor of First

Mennonite Church of Aberdeen, where he has served since 2016. He is married to Jessica Chupp.



Kami Coffin

(Wakarusa, Indiana). MDiv: *Chaplaincy*. Kami is serving as a hospital chaplain at Goshen (Indiana) Health and as Pastor at

First Mennonite Church in Nappanee, Indiana. She and her husband, Todd Coffin, have two children.



Jacob Elias Curtis

(Dublin, Ireland; Denver, Colorado; Goshen/Elkhart, Indiana). MDiv: *Pastoral Ministry*. In May, Jacob and his wife, Michelle

Curtis (MDiv 2018), became Co-pastors of Ambler (Pennsylvania) Mennonite Church. Jacob's home congregation is Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship in Goshen.

Below: Retired Professor of Biblical Theology Ben C. Ollenburger, PhD (at right), gives the address during AMBS's livestreamed commencement and commissioning service as other faculty speakers listen. **Credit:** Peter Ringenberg





► **Jill Hofer**
(Freeman, South Dakota). *Certificate.* Jill is currently pursuing a Certificate of Spiritual Direction from Sioux Falls

(South Dakota) Seminary. She participates in a small rural house church in Freeman. She is married to Stan Hofer, and they have two adult sons.



Rianna Elizabeth Isaak-Krauß
(Fresno, California; Winnipeg, Manitoba; Regensburg, Germany). *MACF.* Rianna is working on strengthening

her German language skills before exploring pastoral or missional ministry opportunities in Germany. She is a member of Willow Avenue Mennonite Church in Clovis, California. While at AMBS, she attended Fellowship of Hope in Elkhart. She has close ties to River East Church in Winnipeg and currently attends the Mennonite Church of Regensburg. She is married to Benjamin Isaak-Krauß (MDiv 2019).

* **Febri Cahya Kristiani** (Klaten, Central Java, Indonesia). *MDiv: Chaplaincy.* This fall, Febri will complete her degree by



doing a Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) internship at Elkhart General Hospital while taking a CPE class at Bronson Methodist Hospital in Kalamazoo, Michigan. She and Nicholas Gehman, her spouse, are exploring opportunities for mission/service assignments abroad following her graduation. While at AMBS, Febri has attended Hively Avenue Mennonite Church in Elkhart.



► **Eric Frey Martin**
(Goshen, Indiana). *MDiv: Theological Studies: Peace Studies.* Eric plans to continue to serve as a Recruiter and Church Relations

Representative for Mennonite Mission Network. He attends Silverwood Mennonite Church in Goshen and is married to Kelly Frey Martin.

Patrick James Obonde (Siaya and Nairobi counties of Kenya). *MATPS.* Patrick is enrolled in a PhD program at Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan, to facilitate further research and publishing work in his African mission field context. He wishes to



transition into full-time missional leadership training and global peace missions work. Patrick is a member of Family Fellowship and Peace Missions

Church of Kenya Mennonite Church. While studying at AMBS, he has been part of Pleasant View Church in Goshen, Indiana, and Faith Mennonite Church in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He and his wife, Pamela Obonde, have two children.



Mariah Omer
(Addis Ababa, Kolfe Keranio, Ethiopia). *Certificate.* Mariah plans to continue studying theology and peace studies. She is a member of

Madan Gospel and Song Ministry in Addis Ababa, Bole Bulubula, Ethiopia. While at AMBS, she has been part of Pleasant View Church in Goshen, Indiana.



► **Dianne Schmidt**
(North Newton, Kansas). *MDiv: Christian Faith Formation.* Dianne will continue to serve full time as Associate Pastor of Eden Mennonite



Graduate awards and gifts

Teaching and Administrative Faculty members presented awards to selected candidates for graduation at a livestreamed Awards and Sharing Service on Aug. 22. This year's recipients are:

- **Melissa Ruth Atchison:** Award for Excellence in Christian Formation
- **Sophia Louise Austin:** Award for Excellence in Old Testament Exegesis

Church in Moundridge, Kansas. She is married to Dennis Schmidt (MDiv 1994), and they have three children and two grandchildren.



Perdian Koeswanto Magelhaens Tumanan

(Surabaya, East Java, Indonesia). *MATPS*. Perdian is now pursuing PhD studies in Systematic Theology and Ethics at Villanova University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He is a member of Indonesian Christian Church (GKI) in Surabaya, East Java, Indonesia. While at AMBS, he attended Hively Avenue Mennonite Church in Elkhart. Perdian is married to Hilda Melani, and they have two children.



Mara Weaver Boshart (Archbold, Ohio). *MDiv: Theological Studies: History, Theology and Ethics*. In September, Mara began working with Project Hope, a nonprofit immigration legal services provider in Archbold. She is a member of Zion Mennonite Church in Archbold. She is married to Corben Weaver Boshart (MATS 2017).

- **Kami Coffin:** Award for Excellence in Pastoral Care
- **Jacob Elias Curtis:** Award for Excellence in New Testament Exegesis; Heart of the Community Award
- **Febri Cahya Kristiani:** Award for Excellence in Preaching
- **Eric Frey Martin:** Award for Excellence in Missional Leadership
- **Patrick James Obonde:** Commendation in Peace Studies

Graduates' reflections



ON RELATIONSHIPS

"Even though I completed my degree through the MDiv Connect Program, which was largely online, I have developed relationships with the faculty, staff and students. I attribute that to the fact that everyone from the AMBS community is wholly invested in the mission and ethos of the institution." — **J. Joel Beachy (MDiv)**

ON LEADERSHIP

"AMBS offers a unique environment for critical thinking and faithful discernment of missional Christian leadership. I am glad that my professional missional work experience in East and Central Africa is now uniquely rooted in biblical foundations for God's reconciling mission work of shalom." — **Patrick James Obonde (MATPS)**

ON SCRIPTURE

"Over the past four years I have received the tools and wisdom that will help anchor me as I study Scripture, cultivate further my relationship with Jesus Christ, and strive to faithfully serve God and neighbor in all I do." — **Kami Coffin (MDiv)**

ON DIVERSITY

"Learning at AMBS provided me opportunities to develop my academic skills as well as grow in my spiritual life. I really enjoyed taking courses with diverse students who came from different regions of the world." — **Mariah Omer (Certificate)**

ON KNOWING, BEING AND DOING

"Among many other things, my time at AMBS grounded me in a conviction that my head and my hands belong together. I am deeply grateful to have been formed by such a place." — **Kevin Chupp (MDiv)**

- **Perdian Koeswanto Magelhaens Tumanan:** Commendation in Peace Studies
- **Mara Weaver Boshart:** Cornelius J. Dyck Award for Excellence in Church History

Graduates also received a one-year print subscription to *Vision: A Journal for Church and Theology* from the Institute of Mennonite Studies; access to the Atlas for Alum database from the

AMBS Library; and a complimentary registration to a Leadership Clinic in 2021 from the Church Leadership Center. The Admissions Team presented each graduate with a "golden ticket" — good for one waived \$50 admissions application fee — to share with a prospective student.

At left: Rachel Miller Jacobs, DMin, Associate Professor of Congregational Formation, presents a preaching award to Febri Kristiani on behalf of the Church and Ministry Department. **Credit:** Peter Ringenberg

New partnership enables global access to Anabaptist theological education

Mennonites around the globe yearn for Anabaptist theological education, identity formation and leadership development, but attending an Anabaptist-related college, university or seminary has not been possible for Mennonites in many countries. A new partnership has been designed to respond to this need.



Mennonite World Conference

(MWC) and AMBS have forged a new agreement to provide Anabaptist-based theological and church leadership education to Anabaptists around the globe in both for-credit and noncredit formats. Pastors and church leaders will be able to take courses in biblical and theological studies, church history and ministry in their home countries.

A memo of understanding (MOU) between MWC and AMBS lays out the details of what **César García**, PhD student, MWC General Secretary

from Bogotá, Colombia, describes as a response to a 2003 call for “sharing of gifts” among MWC member churches: “We perceive this relationship with the seminary as a gift that we are receiving from Mennonite Church Canada and Mennonite Church USA in order to support global Anabaptist churches.”

While on the whole, membership is declining among Mennonite churches in the U.S. and Canada, many Anabaptist-Mennonite churches in the Global South are growing rapidly. Along with this growth comes a need for leaders grounded in Anabaptist faith and theology.

“After more than a half century, several churches born of Mennonite work do not know who the Mennonites are or what their particularity is within the larger Christian family,” wrote Burkina Faso Mennonite church leader **Siaka Traoré** in *Anabaptist Songs in African Hearts*, MWC’s Global Mennonite History volume (Good Books, 2006).

García said that through their online platforms, the most popular evangelical, fundamentalist and charismatic preachers influence theological development in MWC congregations around the world.

“When we lack Anabaptist identity, it is so easy to absorb the influence of these theologies without entering into a real conversation with them,” he said.

“We want to help our churches enter into a discerning dialogue instead of blindly receiving from other traditions.”

Conversations between García and former AMBS President **Sara Wenger Shenk**, EdD — and subsequently with incoming President **David Boshart**, PhD — about collaborating to strengthen Anabaptist identity in the global communion led to a meeting in January 2020 to formalize a new partnership. The shared MOU was affirmed in March and April by the leadership groups of both entities.

MWC and AMBS see their new partnership as a way to join their gifts in building up the church and its ministries and have high hopes for mutual growth. Among the gifts that MWC brings are an extensive network of international relationships and connections, communication channels and an accountability structure. MWC leaders will help identify professors who can offer global perspectives as sessional faculty members. AMBS brings more than 70 years of experience in educating church leaders from an Anabaptist perspective, including many international students. Its faculty are creating curricula and curating library resources that are increasingly attuned to global contexts.

Boshart noted that the educational options made possible by the new partnership could take many different forms. International mission and educational leaders have offered strong encouragement to keep the options “as open and flexible as possible,” he said. •

— John David Thacker, Annette Brill
Bergstresser, Karla Braun

2020 Alumni Ministry and Service Recognition Nancy Kauffmann and Anne Garber Kompaoré

Nancy Kauffmann, DMin, of Goshen, Indiana, and **Anne Garber Kompaoré**, PhD, of Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, are the 2020 recipients of AMBS’s Alumni Ministry and Service Recognition. Kauffmann earned a Master of Divinity in Pastoral Counseling in 1982; Garber Kompaoré earned a Master of Arts: Theological Studies in 2004.

Alumni Director **Janeen Bertsche Johnson** (MDiv 1989) noted that

Kauffmann is being recognized for her outstanding service as a pastor, conference minister and denominational minister, and Garber Kompaoré for her outstanding service as a Bible translator, mission worker and teacher.

“AMBS was a place where I was able to ground my theology as an Anabaptist,” said Garber Kompaoré, adding that the knowledge she gained at AMBS has helped her “in teaching in biblical institutions and interacting with fellow

Christians, especially on the topic of what to do with enemies.”

Kauffmann reflected, “At AMBS, I developed a hunger to learn more about the Bible and about God. AMBS expanded not only my knowledge but also my experience with God. Besides the theological, AMBS promoted hands-on experience within a congregational setting that was so valuable.”

Read more at ambs.edu/alumni. •
— Marly Weaver-Stoesz



Commencement reception in the courtyard
Credit: Peter Ringenberg

AMBS welcomes new Teaching Faculty

The AMBS Board of Directors appointed **Susannah M. Larry**, PhD, and **Leah R. Thomas**, PhD, to the Teaching Faculty on Jan. 30 and April 17, respectively.



Susannah Larry, who began as Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies on July 1, completed her PhD in May at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee, with a major in Hebrew Bible and minors in New Testament and Early Christianity. Her doctoral dissertation was titled, "Lament Beyond Blame: Women's Poetry in Lamentations 1-2." She also earned a Master of Theological Studies with a focus on Biblical Studies from Vanderbilt and a Bachelor of Arts in Religion with a minor in Poverty Studies from Furman University in Greenville, South Carolina.

"We see in Susannah scholarly excellence, dynamic thinking for and with the tradition of Anabaptism, and passion for ministry preparation," said **Beverly Lapp**, EdD, Vice President and Academic Dean, and search committee chair. "We're excited about the balance of expertise and synergy she will bring."

Larry has taught courses at Vanderbilt Divinity School and Sewanee (Tennessee) School of Theology on the Hebrew Bible, New Testament, Biblical Hebrew, feminist theology and biblical interpretation. Her publications include "Jeremiah as Eraser: The History of Consequences of Daughter Zion and

the Prophet" in *Jeremiah in History and Tradition* (Routledge, 2019) and "Hunger: Hebrew Bible/Old Testament" in *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*, Vol. 12 (de Gruyter, 2016).

Larry grew up in Atlanta, Georgia, in the Presbyterian Church (USA) tradition. While volunteering at Jubilee Partners in Comer, Georgia, she gained appreciation for Anabaptist commitments to justice and reconciliation.

"At AMBS, I believe I can live into my calling to a ministry of teaching and scholarship that uplifts marginalized voices," she said. "I'm excited to empower students with the knowledge and tools to reclaim the Bible as a life-giving Word in their diverse ministry contexts."

Leah Thomas, who began Aug. 1 as Assistant Professor of Pastoral Care and Contextual Education, most recently served as a Visiting Professor of Pastoral Theology at Lancaster (Pennsylvania) Theological Seminary and as Designated Associate Pastor for Congregational Care at Wisdom's Table at St. Peter's United Church of Christ in Lancaster. In her research and ministry, she has actively sought to attend to those voices excluded by the dominant culture.

Thomas earned her PhD in 2017 from the Drew University Theological School in Madison, New Jersey. Her dissertation was published as *Just Care: Ethical Anti-Racist Pastoral Care with Women with Mental Illness* (Lexington/Fortress, 2019). She also holds a Master of Divinity and a Bachelor of Arts in Theology and Political Science from the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana.

"During Leah's virtual visit, it was clear that her personal and professional commitments to Christ-centered pacifism, justice, interculturality and undoing oppression align with AMBS's," said

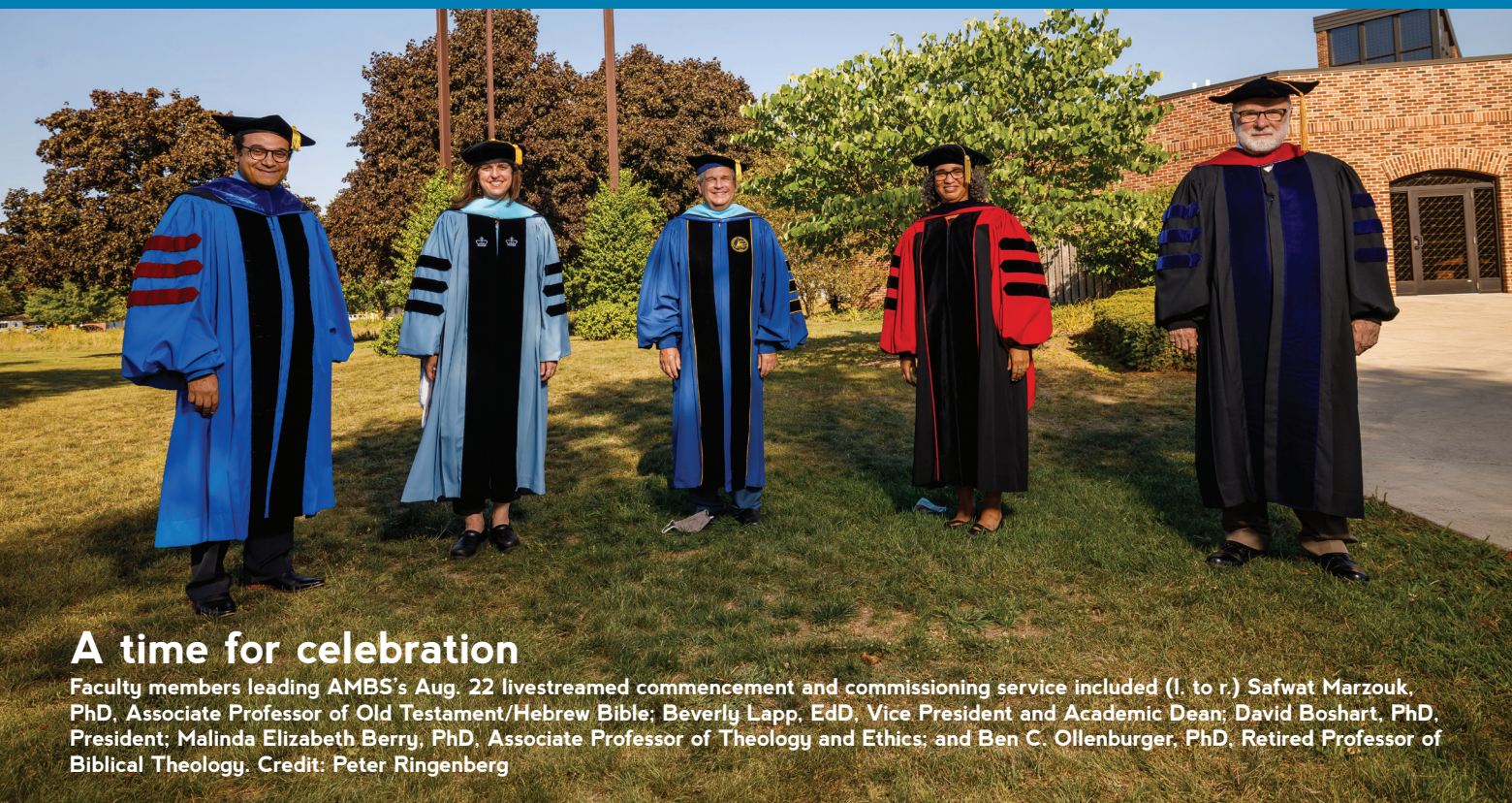
Lapp, search committee chair. "Her administrative gifts and ecumenical background will serve her well in overseeing students' field placements."

Thomas, who grew up in northern Virginia in the Catholic tradition, served as a chaplain at Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital in Morris Plains, New Jersey. She has taught courses on topics such as pastoral care, Christian social ethics, preaching, sociology of religion, ministry with those with mental illness, grief care, and womanist and feminist approaches to pastoral care.



Thomas values the Mennonite theological traditions she sees AMBS as embodying: "My desire to teach at AMBS is rooted in my own commitment to peace, justice and anti-racism in a world that is reeling from disparity, injustice and divisiveness. Our world needs leaders who embody an alternative vision of peace and justice, and I'm humbled and honored to have an opportunity to contribute to that important work." •
— Annette Brill Bergstresser

Bryan Moyer Suderman, MTS, ended his time as Advancement Associate for Canada on Aug. 21. He continues to be available as a resource for congregations and organizations as a Teaching Associate of AMBS's Church Leadership Center, in partnership with his music and teaching ministry, SmallTall Ministries (see ambs.edu/invite). •



A time for celebration

Faculty members leading AMBS's Aug. 22 livestreamed commencement and commissioning service included (l. to r.) Safwat Marzouk, PhD, Associate Professor of Old Testament/Hebrew Bible; Beverly Lapp, EdD, Vice President and Academic Dean; David Boshart, PhD, President; Malinda Elizabeth Berry, PhD, Associate Professor of Theology and Ethics; and Ben C. Ollenburger, PhD, Retired Professor of Biblical Theology. Credit: Peter Ringenberg

UPCOMING OFFERINGS

Pastors and Leaders 2021 Thriving Together

March 1-4 • Meeting online!

It's been a hard year. If the current climate makes you feel more like curling up in a ball and hiding under the covers than stepping out to lead boldly, you're in good company. Sometimes it seems like all the energy you planned to use for ministry and mission is being expended just surviving week to week.



It's exhausting.

How can congregations and their leaders thrive in this time of unprecedented disruption? Who do we turn to for help? After all, who actually knows how to lead well

in a time of pandemic, racial reckoning, climate crisis and political upheaval?

For our first-ever online conference, we've invited the following creative, seasoned leaders to offer their best insights into what congregations need to thrive in today's world. They'll draw from deep wells of Christian faith and leadership practice as they share personal stories and observations.

Featured:

- **Cynthia L. Hale** (pictured), DMin, founder and Senior Pastor of Ray of Hope Christian Church in Decatur, Georgia

Also speaking:

- **James Nelson Gingerich**, MD, doctor and leader, Maple City Health Care Center in Goshen, Indiana
- **Marvin Lorenzana**, DMin, Discipleship Initiatives Director for Mennonite Mission Network, based in Harrisonburg, Virginia
- **Drew Strait**, PhD, Assistant Professor of New Testament and Christian Origins at AMBS

Learn more:

ams.edu/pastorsandleaders

AMBS Semester Two courses (without prerequisites)

- **Hybrid courses** (online Jan. 5 – April 30, with one-week intensive Feb. 1-6): Biblical Hermeneutics and History of Interpretation; Faith Formation and Spirituality: Adults and Seniors; Preaching
 - **Online courses** (Jan. 5 – April 30): Anabaptist Approaches to Scripture; Beginning Greek: 1 John; Christian Worship: Theory and Practice; Global Anabaptist-Mennonite History and Theology; God's Shalom and the Church's Witness; Proclaiming the Faith; Spiritual Practices: Money
 - **Campus courses available via videoconference** (Jan. 5 – April 30): Corinthian Correspondence; Human Sexuality and Christian Ethics
- Nonadmitted students get 50 percent off their first course for credit! Also, check out options for auditing courses.
- ams.edu/onecourse